Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

WHEREAS, Susan Schlichting has served the South Dakota Extension program for the past 15 years, 13 of those years in Tripp County; and,

WHEREAS, Susan has worked diligently with the youth of the county developing a strong junior leader program, Character Counts, adult/youth partnership training, out-of-state exchange programs, out-of-school programs, and several other community service projects. Under her leadership, several local youth have gone on to win state 4-H awards, and become involved in the State 4-H Council Ambassador Program; and,

WHEREAS, Susan has given freely of her personal time, resources and talents to support and expand the 4-H program in Tripp County where she has been a constant, positive influence and mentor to many youth; and,

WHEREAS, Susan strives to bring new innovative ideas to the 4-H program, always trying to make the best better; and,

WHEREAS, Susan has received the Meritorious Service Award at both the state and national level because of her outstanding accomplishments, leadership and communication skills:

NOW, THEREFORE, **I, M. Michael Rounds**, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby congratulate Susan Schlichting as South Dakota's 2002-2003 Outstanding 4-H Educator and proclaim February 25, 2003, as

SUSAN SCHLICHTING DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State